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In re Application of MS Lin

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Top Layers of Metal for High Performance ICs

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Sir:

Applicants hereby Appeal to the Board of Patent and Interference Appeals from the decision dated May 18, 2001 of the Examiner's final rejection of Claims 1-3, 11-13, 15-28, 49, 50, 56-60, 62=68 and 70-83.

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Respectfully submitted,

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